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RE GAS 134 DR. GEORGE G. BROWNING. JUNE 19 INTERVIEW OF DR. BROWNING BY DR. JAMES KING, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL HEALTH, HEW. DR. KING ENDORSES HIM HIGHLY BUT KING IS NOT KNOWLEDGEABLE ON UNIQUE AMERICAN SAMOAN SITUATION. DR. BROWNING HAS STRONG ADMINISTRATIVE BACKGROUND. WAS DIRECTOR ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FOR NINE YEARS. LIMITED CLINICAL EXPERIENCE. HAS NOT PRACTICED MEDICINE SINCE HE WAS WITH USNH IN GUAM 1952-54. BORN OF MISSIONARY PARENTS. HOBBIES SHELL COLLECTING AND SKIN DIVING.

JUNE 20 INTERVIEW WITH CARPENTER, SHAFFER AND JOHNSON. DR. BROWNING HAS PLEASANT, SMILING OUTGOING PERSONALITY WITH UNUSUAL EXPRESSIONS SOMEWHAT STARTLING AT TIMES. HE DRESSES MORE APPROPRIATELY FOR ABERDEEN, S.D. THAN WASHINGTON, D.C.

WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE HIM. HE MAY BE DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH BUT IT IS HARD TO SAY WHETHER HE FULLY MEETS YOUR NEEDS THERE. IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF POSITION BELIEVE DR. BEALES SHOULD INTERVIEW DIRECTLY. HE IS SENDING 171 TO DR. BEALES. CARPENTER SENDS.

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